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Water Authority Lifts Drought Restrictions *Lightner Applauds San Diego's Conservation Efforts, Calls for Continued Conservation*

SAN DIEGO -- In response to the San Diego County Water Authority declaring an end to water supply cutbacks to local water agencies and lifting mandatory water use restrictions, Councilmember Sherri Lightner joined Mayor Sanders, the Public Utilities Department and the San Diego County Water Authority today in congratulating San Diegans who conserved water during the declared drought, which began in June 2009.

“Congratulations to all San Diegans who changed their habits to conserve water over the past two years of drought. We conserved more than we were asked,” Lightner said.

She added, **“Using outreach and education, smart water saving practices, and leadership from the City, CWA, non-profits and industry organizations, we achieved our water conservation goals to meet the challenge of the statewide drought. We’re proud of all we’ve accomplished and glad it is no longer necessary to continue with the Level 2 drought declaration.”**

She also called on San Diegans to continue the good conservation habits they have learned.

“This isn’t a time to go water wild. We must keep up our water conservation habits,” Lightner stated, **“I look forward to working with the Mayor and our communities and businesses to continue spreading the word that water conservation is vital to our way of life and an important part of our long-term water supply strategy.”**

Councilmember Lightner is also currently working on the development of a Comprehensive Policy for a Sustainable Water Supply in San Diego. Conservation is a major part of her vision to update the City’s water policies to include challenges and opportunities that exist today, which aren’t included in existing, outdated policies. For more information on her comprehensive water policy, please visit www.sandiego.gov/cd1.

Sherri Lightner is the Councilmember for Council District One of the City of San Diego, which includes the communities of Black Mountain Ranch, Carmel Valley, Del Mar Mesa, La Jolla, Pacific Highlands Ranch, Rancho Peñasquitos, Torrey Hills, Torrey Highlands, Torrey Pines, and University City. She took office December 8, 2008.

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